

Society and Culture

Course Structure and Requirements

There are two courses in the *Society and Culture Stage 6 Syllabus*:

Preliminary course

(120 indicative hours)

- *The Social and Cultural World* (30% of course time)
- *Personal and Social Identity* (40% of course time)
- *Intercultural Communication* (30% of course time)

HSC course

(120 indicative hours)

Core

- Personal Interest Project (30% of course time)
- *Social and Cultural Continuity and Change* (30% of course time)

Depth studies

(40% of course time)

TWO to be chosen from the following:

- *Popular Culture*
- *Belief Systems and Ideologies*
- *Social Inclusion and Exclusion*
- *Social Conformity and Nonconformity*

Preliminary course overview

Aim	Concepts	Preliminary course		
Social and cultural literacy	Persons The individual human; their relationships with other persons and with society, culture and the environment through time	Depth study: <i>The Social and Cultural World</i>	Depth study: <i>Personal and Social Identity</i>	Depth study: <i>Intercultural Communication</i>
	Society Human relationships from small groups to large systems	(30% of course time)	(40% of course time)	(30% of course time)
	Culture Knowledge shared by members of these groups and systems and reflected in their customs, values, laws, arts, technologies and artefacts; their way of life	Outcomes	Outcomes	Outcomes
	Environment Settings where people live and work, the interaction between people and their environment, people's perceptions of the environment, and their actions to improve their environment	P1, P3, P6, P9, P10	P1, P2, P3, P5, P8, P10	P1, P3, P4, P7, P8, P9
	Time The continuous passage of existence; perceptions of the past, present and future	Content	Content	Content
	Power The ability or capacity to influence or persuade others to a point of view or action to which they would not normally agree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated concepts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated concepts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated concepts
	Authority The rights to make decisions and to determine, adjudicate or settle issues and disputes in society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contemporary context 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contemporary context 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contemporary context
	Identity The sense of self formed over time from a personal, social and cultural level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The nature of the social and cultural world 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The nature of the development of personal and social identity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The nature of communication
	Gender Socially constructed differences between females and males	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social and cultural research 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus study 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Theories relating to intercultural communication
	Technologies The tools that we use to assist our interactions in society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quantitative and qualitative research 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus study
Globalisation A process of integration and the sharing of goods, capital, services, knowledge, leisure, sport, ideas and culture between countries brought about by improved technologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus study 			

HSC course overview

HSC course					
Core: Personal Interest Project	Core: Social and Cultural Continuity and Change	Depth study: Popular Culture	Depth study: Belief Systems and Ideologies	Depth study: Social Inclusion and Exclusion	Depth study: Social Conformity and Nonconformity
(30% of course time)	(30% of course time)	(20% of course time)	(20% of course time)	(20% of course time)	(20% of course time)
Outcomes H1, H4, H5, H6, H7, H8, H9, H10	Outcomes H1, H2, H3, H4, H5, H6, H7, H9, H10	Outcomes H1, H2, H3, H5, H7, H9, H10	Outcomes H1, H2, H3, H5, H7, H9, H10	Outcomes H1, H2, H3, H5, H7, H9, H10	Outcomes H1, H2, H3, H5, H7, H9, H10
Components <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction Log Central material Conclusion Resource list 	Content <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated concepts Contemporary context The nature of social and cultural research methods The nature of social and cultural continuity and change Focus study The near future 	Content <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated concepts Contemporary context The nature of popular culture Focus study The near future 	Content <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated concepts Contemporary context The nature of belief systems and ideologies Focus study The near future 	Content <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated concepts Contemporary context The nature of social inclusion and exclusion Focus study The near future 	Content <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated concepts Contemporary context The nature of social conformity and nonconformity Focus study The near future